UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Investigation No. 731-TA-989 (Final)

BALL BEARINGS FROM CHINA

DETERMINATION

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigation, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to section 735(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1673d(b)) (the Act), that an industry in the United States is not materially injured or threatened with material injury, and the establishment of an industry in the United States is not materially retarded, by reason of imports from China of certain ball bearings and parts thereof, provided for in subheadings 3926.90.45, 4016.93.00, 4016.93.10, 4016.93.50, 6909.19.50, 8431.20.00, 8431.39.00, 8482.10.10, 8482.10.50, 8482.80.00, 8482.91.00, 8482.99.05, 8482.99.25, 8482.99.35, 8482.99.65, 8483.20.40, 8483.20.80, 8483.30.40, 8483.30.80, 8483.50.90, 8483.90.20, 8483.90.30, 8483.90.70, 8708.50.50, 8708.60.50, 8708.60.80, 8708.70.60, 8708.93.30, 8708.93.60, 8708.93.75, 8708.99.06, 8708.99.31, 8708.99.40, 8708.99.49, 8708.99.58, 8708.99.80, 8803.10.00, 8803.20.00, 8803.30.00, 8803.90.30, and 8803.90.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that have been found by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV).

BACKGROUND

The Commission instituted this investigation effective February 13, 2002, following receipt of a petition filed with the Commission and Commerce by the American Bearing Manufacturers Association, Washington, DC. The final phase of the investigation was scheduled by the Commission following notification of a preliminary determination by Commerce that imports of ball bearings from China were being sold at LTFV within the meaning of section 733(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. § 1673b(b)). Notice of the scheduling of the final phase of the Commission's investigation and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the *Federal Register* of October 23, 2002 (67 FR 65142) as amended on December 2, 2002 (67 FR 71588). The hearing was held in Washington, DC, on March 6, 2003, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determination in this investigation to the Secretary of Commerce on April 21, 2003. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3593 (April 2003), entitled *Ball Bearings from China: Investigation No. 731-TA-989 (Final*).

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott Secretary to the Commission

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¹ The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR § 207.2(f)).